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Notice of Lifting of Suspension Date:

TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER ON CERTAIN CUT TO LENGTH CARBON QUALITY STEEL PLATE PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN (A-588-847)

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, TRADE ENFORCEMENT & CONTROL

RE: ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER ON CERTAIN CUT TO LENGTH CARBON QUALITY STEEL PLATE PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN (A-588-847)

- 1. ON 02/10/2000, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER ON CERTAIN CUT-TO-LENGTH CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PLATE PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN.
- 2. SCOPE LANGUAGE

THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY THIS ORDER ARE CERTAIN HOT-ROLLED CARBON-

QUALITY STEEL: (1) UNIVERSAL MILL PLATES (I.E., FLAT-ROLLED Message Date: 05/09/2000 Message Number: 0130212 Page 2 of 7

PRODUCTS ROLLED ON FOUR FACES OR IN A CLOSED BOX PASS, OF A WIDTH EXCEEDING 150 MM BUT NOT EXCEEDING 1250 MM, AND OF A NOMINAL OR ACTUAL THICKNESS OF NOT LESS THAN 4 MM, WHICH ARE CUT-TO-LENGTH (NOT IN COILS) AND WITHOUT PATTERNS IN RELIEF), OF IRON OR NON-ALLOY-QUALITY STEEL; AND (2) FLAT-ROLLED PRODUCTS, HOT-ROLLED, OF A NOMINAL OR ACTUAL THICKNESS OF 4.75 MM OR MORE AND OF A WIDTH WHICH EXCEEDS 150 MM AND MEASURES AT LEAST TWICE THE THICKNESS, AND WHICH ARE CUT-TO-LENGTH (NOT IN COILS).

STEEL PRODUCTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS SCOPE ARE OF RECTANGULAR, SQUARE, CIRCULAR OR OTHER SHAPE AND OF RECTANGULAR OR NON-RECTANGULAR CROSS-SECTION WHERE SUCH NON-RECTANGULAR CROSS-SECTION IS ACHIEVED SUBSEQUENT TO THE ROLLING PROCESS (I.E., PRODUCTS WHICH HAVE BEEN "WORKED AFTER ROLLING") -- FOR EXAMPLE, PRODUCTS WHICH HAVE BEEN BEVELED OR ROUNDED AT THE EDGES. STEEL PRODUCTS THAT MEET THE NOTED PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS THAT ARE PAINTED, VARNISHED OR COATED WITH PLASTIC OR OTHER NON-METALLIC SUBSTANCES ARE INCLUDED WITHIN THIS SCOPE. ALSO, SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED IN THIS SCOPE ARE HIGH STRENGTH, LOW ALLOY (HSLA) STEELS. HSLA STEELS ARE RECOGNIZED AS STEELS WITH MICRO-ALLOYING LEVELS OF ELEMENTS SUCH AS CHROMIUM, COPPER, NIOBIUM, TITANIUM, VANADIUM, AND MOLYBDENUM.

STEEL PRODUCTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS SCOPE, REGARDLESS OF HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS)
DEFINITIONS, ARE PRODUCTS IN WHICH: (1) IRON PREDOMINATES, BY WEIGHT, OVER EACH OF THE OTHER CONTAINED ELEMENTS, (2) THE CARBON CONTENT IS TWO PERCENT OR LESS, BY WEIGHT, AND (3) NONE OF THE ELEMENTS LISTED BELOW IS EQUAL TO OR EXCEEDS THE QUANTITY, BY WEIGHT, RESPECTIVELY INDICATED:

- 1.80 PERCENT OF MANGANESE, OR
- 1.50 PERCENT OF SILICON, OR
- 1.00 PERCENT OF COPPER, OR
- 0.50 PERCENT OF ALUMINUM, OR
- 1.25 PERCENT OF CHROMIUM, OR
- 0.30 PERCENT OF COBALT. OR
- 0.40 PERCENT OF LEAD, OR

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- 1.25 PERCENT OF NICKEL, OR
- 0.30 PERCENT OF TUNGSTEN, OR
- 0.10 PERCENT OF MOLYBDENUM, OR
- 0.10 PERCENT OF NIOBIUM, OR
- 0.41 PERCENT OF TITANIUM, OR
- 0.15 PERCENT OF VANADIUM, OR
- 0.15 PERCENT ZIRCONIUM.

ALL PRODUCTS THAT MEET THE WRITTEN PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION, AND IN WHICH THE CHEMISTRY QUANTITIES DO NOT EQUAL OR EXCEED ANY ONE OF THE LEVELS LISTED ABOVE, ARE WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED. THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS ARE SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED FROM THESE INVESTIGATIONS: (1) PRODUCTS CLAD, PLATED, OR COATED WITH METAL, WHETHER OR NOT PAINTED, VARNISHED OR COATED WITH PLASTIC OR OTHER NON-METALLIC SUBSTANCES; (2) SAE GRADES (FORMERLY AISI GRADES) OF SERIES 2300 AND ABOVE; (3) PRODUCTS MADE TO ASTM A710 AND A736 OR THEIR PROPRIETARY EQUIVALENTS; (4) ABRASION-RESISTANT STEELS (I.E., USS AR 400, USS AR 500); (5) PRODUCTS MADE TO ASTM A202, A225, A514 GRADE S, A517 GRADE S, OR THEIR PROPRIETARY EQUIVALENTS; (6) BALL BEARING STEELS; (7) TOOL STEELS; AND (8) SILICON MANGANESE STEEL OR SILICON ELECTRIC STEEL.

THE MERCHANDISE SUBJECT TO THESE INVESTIGATIONS IS CLASSIFIED IN THE HTSUS UNDER SUBHEADINGS: 7208.40.3030, 7208.40.3060, 7208.51.0030, 7208.51.0045, 7208.51.0060, 7208.52.0000, 7208.53.0000, 7208.90.0000, 7210.70.3000, 7210.90.9000, 7211.13.0000, 7211.14.0030, 7211.14.0045, 7211.90.0000, 7212.40.1000, 7212.40.5000, 7212.50.0000, 7225.40.3050, 7225.40.7000, 7225.50.6000, 7225.99.0090, 7226.91.5000, 7226.91.7000, 7226.91.8000, 7226.99.0000. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES.

THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE MERCHANDISE UNDER INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED CASE NUMBER: JAPAN. A-588-847

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4. ON 12/29/1999 (64 FR 73215), THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST WITH RESPECT TO IMPORTS OF THIS MERCHANDISE FROM JAPAN PRODUCED BY KOBE STEEL. LTD., NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION, NKK CORPORATION, AND SUMITOMO METAL INDUSTRIES, LTD. ON 02/10/2000, THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES DO NOT EXIST WITH RESPECT TO IMPORTS OF CERTAIN CUT-TO-LENGTH CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PLATE PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN. THEREFORE, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL REFUND ALL DEPOSITS COLLECTED ON IMPORTS OF CERTAIN CUT-TO-LENGTH CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PLATE PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN DURING THE PERIOD OF 04/30/1999, THROUGH 07/28/1999. SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION SHOULD COMMENCE ON THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE (64 FR 41218, 07/29/1999). FOR IMPORTS OF CERTAIN CUT-TO-LENGTH CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PLATE PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN FROM THESE COMPANIES, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL CONTINUE TO SUSPEND LIQUIDATIONS OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION

OR AFTER 07/29/1999.

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5. ON 04/26/1999 (64 FR 20251), THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PRELIMINARILY DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST WITH RESPECT TO IMPORTS OF THIS MERCHANDISE FROM JAPAN PRODUCED BY KAWASAKI STEEL CORPORATION AND THE "ALL OTHERS" COMPANIES. ON 12/29/1999 (64 FR 73215), THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES DO NOT EXIST WITH RESPECT TO IMPORTS OF THIS MERCHANDISE FROM JAPAN PRODUCED BY THESE COMPANIES. THEREFORE, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL REFUND ALL DEPOSITS COLLECTED ON IMPORTS OF CERTAIN CUT-TO-LENGTH CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PLATE PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN DURING THE PERIOD OF 04/30/1999. THROUGH 07/28/1999. SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION SHOULD COMMENCE ON THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE (64 FR 41218, 07/29/1999). FOR IMPORTS OF CERTAIN CUT-TO-LENGTH CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PLATE PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN FROM THESE COMPANIES. THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL CONTINUE TO SUSPEND LIQUIDATIONS OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM

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WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER 07/29/1999.

6. FOR IMPORTS OF CERTAIN CUT-TO-LENGTH CARBON-QUALITY STEEL
PLATE PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN FROM THE FOLLOWING PRODUCERS, THE
CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL CONTINUE TO SUSPEND LIQUIDATIONS OF SUCH
SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION

ON

OR AFTER 07/29/1999. EFFECTIVE 02/10/2000, CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE FOR ENTRIES A CASH DEPOSIT EQUAL TO THE MARGIN RATES SHOWN BELOW:

MFG/EXPORTER COMPANY NUMBER RATE

KAWASAKI STEEL CORPORATION A-588-847-001 10.78

KOBE STEEL, LTD A-588-847-002 59.12

NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION A-588-847-003 59.12

NKK CORPORATION A-588-847-004 59.12

SUMITOMO METAL INDUSTRIES, LTD. A-588-847-005 59.12

ALL OTHERS A-588-847-000 10.78

- 8. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SUPERVISORY CHANNELS, OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY LIAISON, USING THE ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT MARK MANNING, OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-3936.
- 9. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

PAUL SCHWARTZ

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Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party

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